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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR IT XF

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE MORO VISIT TO MIDDLE EAST

DEPT PASS USINT CAIRO

REF: ROME 0039 (NOTAL)

1. FONOFF SOURCE HAS TOLD US IN CONFIDENCE THAT FOREIGN MINISTER MORO IS CONTEMPLATING VISIT TO MIDDLE EAST AT END OF JANUARY. COUNTRIES TO BE VISITED TENTATIVELY INCLUDE EGYPT, SAUDI ARABIA, KUWAIT AND IRAN.

2. COMMENT: ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IN RECENT DAYS HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO CRITICISM FROM WIDE SPECTRUM OF PRESS, INCLUDING RESPECTED CORRIERE DELLA SERA, FOR LACKING DISCERNIBLE POLICY TOWARD MIDDLE EAST. CRITICISM BASED
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CHIEFLY ON ASSERTION THAT GOI FOREIGN POLICY APPEARS

CALCULATED TO OFFEND NO ONE AND CONSEQUENTLY LEAVES GOI IN WORST
POSSIBLE POSITION AS STATE DEFINED BY ARABS AS NEITHER FRIENDLY
NOR INIMICAL AND THUS WITH NEITHER SUFFICIENT PRINCIPLES NOR
PETROLEUM. VISITS OF MORO AND FONOFF UNDER SECRETARY BENSI
TO IRAQ AND SYRIA (REFTEL) MAY BE DESIGNED TO SHOW SOME MOTION
TO COUNTERACT IMPRESSION DO-NOTHING MID-EAST FOREIGN
POLICY WHICH GOI MAY FEAR IS GAINING CURRENCY. VOLPE

NOTE BY OC/T: NOT PASSED CAIRO.

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